

**ANNUAL USE OF CAPITAL SURVEY - 2009****NAME OF INSTITUTION**

(Include Holding Company Where Applicable)

Bank of the Carolinas Corporation

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CPP Funds Received:	\$13,179,000
CPP Funds Repaid to Date:	\$0
Date Funded (first funding):	4/17/2009
Date Repaid ¹ :	

RSSD: (For Bank Holding Companies)	3447398
Holding Company Docket Number: (For Thrift Holding Companies)	
FDIC Certificate Number: (For Depository Institutions)	34903
City:	Mocksville
State:	North Carolina

¹If repayment was incremental, please enter the most recent repayment date.

American taxpayers are quite interested in knowing how banks have used the money that Treasury has invested under the Capital Purchase Program (CPP). To answer that question, Treasury is seeking responses that describe generally how the CPP investment has affected the operation of your business. We understand that once received, the cash associated with TARP funding is indistinguishable from other cash sources, unless the funds were segregated, and therefore it may not be feasible to identify precisely how the CPP investment was deployed or how many CPP dollars were allocated to each use. Nevertheless, we ask you to provide as much information as you can about how you have used the capital Treasury has provided, and how your uses of that capital have changed over time. Treasury will be pairing this survey with a summary of certain balance sheet and other financial data from your institution's regulatory filings, so to the extent you find it helpful to do so, please feel free to refer to your institution's quarterly call reports to illustrate your answers. This is your opportunity to speak to the taxpayers in your own words, which will be posted on our website.

What specific ways did your institution utilize CPP capital? Check all that apply and elaborate as appropriate, especially if the uses have shifted over time. Your responses should reflect actions taken over the past year (or for the portion of the year in which CPP funds were outstanding).

<input type="checkbox"/> Increase lending or reduce lending less than otherwise would have occurred.	
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<input type="checkbox"/>	To the extent the funds supported increased lending, please describe the major type of loans, if possible (residential mortgage loans, commercial mortgage loans, small business loans, etc.).	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Increase securities purchased (ABS, MBS, etc.).	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Make other investments	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Increase reserves for non-performing assets	The TARP investment provided the Company and Bank with sufficient capital to support additional reserves recorded on foreclosed properties of approximately \$1.1 million. The TARP investment also provided capital to support additional provisions for loan losses of approximately \$4.8 million.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Reduce borrowings	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Increase charge-offs	The TARP investment provided the Company and Bank with sufficient capital to support approximately \$3.6 million of net charge-off's occurring during the period of that investment in 2009.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Purchase another financial institution or purchase assets from another financial institution	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Held as non-leveraged increase to total capital	As of December 31, 2009, the Company has retained approximately \$2 million to be available as future additions to capital of the Bank.

What actions were you able to avoid because of the capital infusion of CPP funds?

Because more aggregate capital was available, the Company did not have to limit the size of the Bank to the extent that would have been required absent the TARP investment.

What actions were you able to take that you may not have taken without the capital infusion of CPP funds?

Because of the availability of capital provided under the TARP program, we were able to avoid dramatic reductions in our customer service offerings, and as a result, have not been forced to reduce employment rolls significantly.

Please describe any other actions that you were able to undertake with the capital infusion of CPP funds.

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